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SUBJECT: EURATOM AND THE NPT

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1. EXTAFB ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT DIRECTOR
STEUART BEATTIE TOLD EMBOFFS FEBRYARY 5 GOC AGREES WITH
US VIEW ALL FIVE EURATOM STATES SHOULD RATIFY NPT SOON
AND WITHOUT SUSPENDING ARTICLE 25 (B) OF IAEA-CURATOM
VERIFICATION AGREEMENT. HE ASCRIBES "ILLOGICAL"
ITALIAN POSITION TO CERTAIN BUREAUCRATS IN MINISTRY
FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY WHO, WHILE
JUSTIFYING NON-RATIFICATION ON GROUNDS THIS PROVIDES
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LEVERAGE TO SECURE ACCESSION OF OTHER MEDITERRANEAN

STATES, ARE REALLY MOTIVATED BY SOME OUTMODED
CONCEPTION OF NATIONAL PRESTIGE. HE NOTED THAT IF
EURATOM NNWS ACCEPTANCE OF IAEA SAFEGUARDS WERE
SECURED PRIOR TO NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE, THIS WOULD
SERVE TO REMOVE A SOURCE OF EMBARRASSMENT TO US AND
CANADA WHOSE SUPPLY OF NUCLEAR MATERIALS TO THOSE
STATES REPRESENTS A TECHNICAL VIOLATION OF NPT
ARTICLE II - 2 AND TENDS TO STRENGTHEN RESISTANCE OF
OTHER STATES TO ACCEPTANCE OF IAEA SAFEGUARDS. HOWEVER,
HE DOES NOT FEEL THAT THIS DESIRABLE RESULT SHOULD BE
SOUGHT THROUGH MECHANISM OF SUSPENSION OF
ARTICLE 25 (B) OF IAEA-EURATOM AGREEMENT. THAT
MECHANISM MIGHT, HE FELT, BE WORTH EXPLORING IF PRESENT
SITUATION PERSISTS, BUT NOT UNTIL AFTER COMPLETION NPT
REVIEW CONFERENCE.

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